

**Conference**  
**Philosophy and Social Science**  
**May 18 – 22, 2016**  
**Villa Lana, V sádech 1, Prague 6**

**Wednesday, May 18, 2016**

09.30 Inauguration by the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic.

**10.00 - 11.30 Plenary 1, Room A**  
**Johanna Oksala: Feminism Against Biocapitalism**

**Break**

**11.45 - 13.30**

**Room A: On Evil**

- Lenny Moss: Suicide, Honor Killings, Public Norms and Public Health
- Hans-Herbert Kögler: The Religious Face of Evil - Ethics and the Critique of Religion
- Jorge Valdez: A Naturalistic Account of Evil in the Morality of the Anthropocene.
- Noëlle McAfee: Deliberation and the Work of Mourning

**Room B: Democracy and the Safeguard of Dissent**

- Daniele Santoro: Dissenting in the Name of Public Interest. A Non Procedural View of Democratic Legitimacy.
- Manohar Kumar: Exploring Forms of Dissent.
- Ben Schupmann: "Frightening Men in Need of Security": Carl Schmitt's "Realist" State and constrained democracy.

**Room C: Human Rights**

- Benjamin Gregg: The Human Rights State: Political Community Beyond the Nation State
- David Alvarez: Embedding and Extending Human Rights in International Organizations
- Pablo Gilabert: Dignity at Work.
- Katharine G. Young: Rights and Queues

**Lunch Break**

**15.00 - 17.00**

**Room A: Displacing Traditional Authority**

- Andrew Poe: Motivating Insurgency: Machiavelli's *Il Principe* as Deconstructing Authority.
- Antoinette Scherz: International Authority and the Legitimacy of International Courts.
- Valerio Fabbrizi: The Debate on Constitutional Courts and Their Authority Between Legal and Political Constitutionalism.

- David Rasmussen: The Question of Legitimacy: Constitutionalism and Comprehensive Doctrines.

### **Room B: On Secularism**

- Annemarije Hagen: The Emancipatory Potential of Secularism: Political Disclosure and Political Agents
- Gesche Keding: Conversions in a Secular Age
- Rodrigo Cordero: The Non-Closure of Human History: On Reinhart Koselleck's Contributions to Critical Theory

### **Room C: Hegel, Marx and the Critical Theory**

- Todd Hedrick: Repressive Socialization in Adorno and Honneth.
- Allan Breedlove: Synthesizing the *Realphilosophy* and *Phenomenology*.
- Zhang Xiuqin: Marcuse's Contribution to the Interpretation of Marx's Paris Manuscripts.
- Kevin W. Gray: The State-Centric Fallacy of the Frankfurt School on Law.

### **Break**

**17.15 - 19.00**

### **Room A: On Social Progress**

- Gianfranco Casuso: Reasons, Critique, and Social Progress: On the Cognitive Foundations of Disagreement
- James D. Ingram: What Stands between Critical Theory and a Plausible Claim to Universality: Reason? Progress? Humanity?
- Luis Gustavo da Cunha de Souza: Criticism of Progress and Commitment to History? Critical Theory and the Analysis of Political dynamics of Conflict.

### **Room B: The Political Thought of Axel Honneth**

- Arthur Bueno: The Psychic Life of Freedom
- Marco Solinas: The Social Freedom of Socialism. Critical Remarks.
- Cuixiang He: On Honneth's Concept of Social Freedom and his Theory of Justice.
- Marjan Ivkovic: The Anti-Capitalist basis of the Constitutively Intersubjectivist Conception of Autonomy.

### **Room C: The Political Thought of Hannah Arendt**

- Robert Fine: The Modern Revolutionary Tradition: Arendt's Legacy.
- Xu Liang: The moral Meaning of Thinking: Hannah Arendt's Solution on "Evil of Banality"
- Yasemin Sari: Arendt, Truth, and Epistemic Responsibility.

Thursday, May 19, 2016

9.30 - 11.00a.m. Plenary 2, Room A

**Maeve Cooke: Political Authority and Freedom.**

Break

11.15 - 13.15

**Room A: Workshop: Rainer Forst's Book "Normativity and Power"**

- Albenaz Azmanova: The Unbearable Lightness of Justification
- Pablo Gilabert: Forst's Concept of Noumenal Power. Strengths and Limitations.
- Matthias Kettner: How to (Over)Rationalize the Power of Discourse
- Max Pensky: Justificatory Narrative, Historical Progress, and Immanent Critique. Forst, Jaeggi, and Critical Theory's View from (Nearly) Nowhere
- Rainer Forst: Reply.

**Room B: Religious Violence and Political Violence – A Gender-Focused Approach**

- Debora Tonelli: Goddesses and Warriors: Female Images Plural.
- Jazna Jozelic: Purification of Heterogeneous Nation Through Gender Violence.
- Vjollca Krasniqi: Gender and Body Politics in the Symbolic Construction of the Nation.
- Gorana Ognjenovich: Religious Nationalism as a Violence Against Women: A Bottomless Pit?

**Room C: Aesthetics and Politics**

- Michiel Bot: The Aesthetic Dimension of Refugee Politics in the Netherlands.
- Ouyang Qian: The Aesthetic Dimension of Critical Theory: On Adorno's Defense of Modern Art.
- Ștefan Firică: Visualizing Identity in the Interwar Romanian Culture. From the Psychological to the Political and Back.

Lunch Break

15.00 - 17.00

**Room A: Authority**

- Lea Ypi: Legitimacy, Dictatorship und Utopia: A Marxist Perspective on Political Obligation
- Francisco Naishtat: Theology and New Enlightenment in the Work of Benjamin
- Lillian Cirerchia: Political Authority and Partisan Organization.
- Mykhailo Minakov: Politics and Authority in De-Modernizing Societies.

**Room B: On Populism**

- Giuseppe Ballacci: Populism and the Creation of the People, Between Rupture and Consent.
- Onni Hirvonen: Populism as a Pathological Form of Identity Politics.
- Paul Blokker: Constitutionalism and Rights Beyond the State: A Black Hole for Populism Sovereignty.
- Tehseen Nisar: Understanding the Gramscian Context of Civil Society.

Streamlining an Answer to Radicalization in Pakistan.

**Room C: The Aesthetic Dimension of Politics**

- Mihaela Mihai: Epistemic Injustice and the Untapped Political Potential of art.
- Alicia García Ruiz: Aesthetic Dimension and Spatial Turn: Political Spaces in Rancière.
- Alexander Stern: The Aesthetics of Meaning. Benjamin on Fallen Language.

**Break**

**17.15 - 19.00**

**Room A: Global Constitutionalism Between Political Distortions and Doomed Aspirations**

- Claudio Corradetti: Constructing the Global Constitution: Kant's Cosmopolitan Right.
- D. Augenstein: Parochial Cosmopolitanism: The European Union as a Global Human Rights Actor in the European Refugee "Crisis".
- E. MacDonald: Cargo Cult Constitutionalism.
- Wolfgang Heuer: The Idea of Federalism.

**Room B: Neoliberalism**

- Alessandro Pinzani: Farewell to Welfare. An End to Citizenship as We Know It.
- Ndidi Nwaneri: Global Justice-Non-Nomination, Neo-Liberalism and Geo-Politics.
- Thomas Biebricher: Foucault's Neoliberalism.
- Xue Rong: The Critiques of Liberalism: Polanyi and Marx.

**Room C: Digital Revolution**

- Mark Carrigan: Digital Capitalism and Digital Social Science.
- Nancy Sue Love: Cyber Crowds: Organizing Masses, Mobs, and Movements Online.
- Miriam M. S. Madureira: On the Rationality of Technology and Science.
- Odin Lysaker: The Anarchic Core of Communication. Ambiguities in Jürgen Habermas' Political Thought.

**Friday, May 20, 2016**

**9.30 - 11.00a.m. Co-plenary 3, Room A**

**Hartmut Rosa: Reified and Alienated / or Mimetic, Auratic, Erotic and Charismatic? An Alternative History to Critical Theory**

**Charles Taylor: Resonance and the Romantic Era**

## Break

### 11.15 - 13.15

#### Room A: Justice Beyond the State

- María José Guerra: European Transnationalism at Stake: Three Paradoxes to Consider at the Light of Benhabib's "Cosmopolitanism Without Illusions".
- Ali Emre Benli: Theorizing Justice in Asylum Here and Now.
- Kendralyn Webber: A Justification for humanitarian aid-Thomas McCarthy and the inevitability of modernization.

#### Room B: Democracy Within and Beyond the State

- Bernat Riutort Serra: Post Democratic Authority: The European Union
- Christopher F. Zurn: Threats of Democracy Constitutional Change in an Era of Globalizing Legalism
- Ian Storey: Must polity be continuous? Hookerite democracy.

#### Room C: Political Pluralism

- Ingrid Salvatore: Why Pluralism does not require Epistemic Abstinence.
- Daniel Blanch: Democratic Principles in a Rationalist Public Sphere: on Merging Citizens' Cultural Perspectives.
- Corrado Fumagalli: Just as the same city viewed from different directions? On Pluralism and the Right for Everyone to Have a Say.

## Lunch Break

### 15.00 - 17.00

#### Room A: Feminism

- Barbara Fultner: The Transcultural Dynamics of Transnational Feminist Dialogue.
- Cristina Sánchez: On Evil and the Massive Rapes Against Women.
- Jocelyn M. Boryczka: Vagina as Home: an Intersectional Conceptual History for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Citizenship.
- Debora Spini: Playgrounds and Battlefields.

#### Room B: Deficits of Democracy

- Dana Villa: The Legacy of Max Weber in Weimar Political and Social Theory
- Emil A. Sobotka: Democracy in the Americas: Diversity and Risks
- Marta Nunes da Costa: A Phenomenological Glance With Political Intentions: Reflections on June Protests in Brazil.
- Pedro Federici Araujo: Democracy and Public Participation in a Country With Wealth Inequality Problems.

#### Room C: Political Authority

- Lubomír Dunaj: A comparative reading of Chinese philosophy: an introduction to the concept of authority.
- Thomas Fossen: Judgment, representation, and political legitimacy.
- Mark Haugaard: What is Authority?
- Øjvind Larsen: Communicative Authority and Deliberative Leadership in a Democratic Society - The Change of Authority from Weber to Habermas

## Break

## 17.15 - 19.00

### Room A: Imagination in Politics

- Mathias Thaler: Unhinged Frames: Assessing Thought Experiments in Normative Political Theory.
- Steve Winter: Internalization and Imagination in the Languages of Reason.
- Kurt Richardson: Violence of Historical Imagination in Religious Reasoning and Social Construction.
- María Pía Lara: Political Agency and Imagination.

### Room B: Criticism of Political Reason

- Carmen Dege: Karl Jasper's Critique of Kantian Reason: In Favor of Post-Metaphysical Intersubjectivism and a Human Political Epistemology
- Simon Susen: The Sociological Challenge of Reflexivity in Bourdieusian Thought.
- Giulia Lasagni: Reason and Agency. A Reflection on Group Phenomena.
- Jonathan Bowman: Race and the Languages of Reason in "Elements of Anti-Semitism". The Axial Age as a Genealogic Corrective to the Myopia of Modernity

### Room C: Politics of Ecology

- Filip Vostal: 24/7 Global Accelerated Society: 'Deflationary Notes'.
- Oleg Susa: World of transformation. Towards Critical Theory of Political Ecology.
- Richard Stahel: Environmentalism as New Humanism.
- Christoph Henning: How Critical is the Aesthetic Dimension? Insights from Interviews with Artists.

## Saturday, May 21, 2016

### 9.30 - 11.00a.m. Plenary 4, Room A

#### **Alessandro Ferrara: Legitimate Authority: Too Many Gaps for one Concept to Bridge?**

### 11.15 - 13.15a.m. Plenary 5, Room A

#### **David Held: Gridlock and Beyond in Global Politics**

## Break

## 15.00 - 17.00

### Room A: Legality and Legalism Beyond the State

- Jan Komárek: Judicial Legitimacy Without Borders.
- Dimitrios Efthymiou: Solidarity as Reciprocity in the EU: a Minimalist vs. a Maximalist Approach.
- Vlad Perju: The Theory of *Pouvoir Constituent Mixte* and the Deradicalization of European Integration.

### **Room B: The New European War on Terror**

- Petra Gúmplová: Constitutional Responses to Terrorism in the 21st century.
- Brian Milstein: Emergency Powers from a Cosmopolitan Point of View.
- Yoav Mehozay: How does one suspend suspended-law?
- Julian Culp: The Triple Crisis of Democratic Education in Europe.

### **Room C: Social Ontology and Social Critique**

- Heikki Ikäheimo: Hegel, Marx and the Normative Ontology of the Human Life-Form
- Italo Testa: Does Critical Theory Need a Social Ontology?
- Matteo Bianchin: Social Ontology, Normative and Critique.
- Titus Stahl: Towards a Social Ontology of Oppression.

### **Lunch Break**

**17.15 - 18.30**

#### **Room A: Systems**

- Albená Azmanova: Relational Versus Systemic Domination.
- Anahi Wiedenbrug: A Normative Analysis of Debt: Agents, Structures and Relations.
- Eva Erman: Representation, Equality, and Inclusion in Deliberative Systems: Desiderata for a Good Account.

#### **Room B: The Political Thought of Jürgen Habermas**

- Melis Menent: The Enlarged Moral Self for Constitutional Patriotism.
- Simon Laumann Joergensen: Habermas and Care Work.
- Igor Shoikhedbrod: Revolution or Legality? Specters of Marx in the Legal Philosophy of Jürgen Habermas.

#### **Room C Axel Honneth's Critical Theory**

- Radu Neclau: The Practice of Recognition and the Temporal Structure of Critique.
- Rosie Worsdale: Recognition, Ideology and 'Invisible Suffering'.
- Andrew Buchwalter: Honneth, Hegel, and the Aporias of Market Societies.

### **Break**

**18.45**

#### **Room A: Vita Activa - The Spirit of Hannah Arendt (Film).**

**Q & A Session with Director Ada Ushpiz.**

**Sunday, May 22, 2016**

**9.30 - 11.00a.m. Plenary 6, Room A**

**Joaquín Valdivielso: Democracy and Populist Reason.  
The Dialectics Between Laclau's Theory and Podemos.**

**11.15 - 13.15**

**Room A: Critical Theory**

- John Lumsden: Questioning the Motivation for the Normative Turn in Critical Theory.
- Patrick O'Mahony: Reasoning, Reason, and Critical Theory.
- Johan Söderberg: The Hegemony of Multiplicity: Defending Concepts against "Empirical Post-Structuralism".
- Asger Sorensen: Visiting the Neo-liberal University.

**Room B: Foucault**

- Guilel Treiber: Converting Oneself and Others to the Revolution – Collective Resistance and Political Spirituality in Foucault.
- Yara Adario Frateschi: Power without Politics? Potentials and Limits of a Conception of Emancipation Based on Michel Foucault.